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Hongkong Branch.

Hongkong, May 31, 1886. 1088

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PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000

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RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION.....\$200,000

OF DIVIDENDS,.....\$0

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JOHN WALTER,

Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 26, 1886. 947

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will

be conducted by the Hongkong and

Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their

premises in Hongkong. Business hours

on Coas days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10

to 1.

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250

at one time will not be received. No

depositor may deposit more than \$2,500

in any one year.

3.—Depositor in the Savings' Bank having

\$100 or more at their credit may at

their option, draw the same to the

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Cor-

poration on fixed deposit for 12 months

at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per

annum will be allowed to depositors on

their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis

with a Pass-Book which must be pre-

sented with each payment or with-

drawal. Depositors must not make

any entries thereon in their Pass-

Books but should send them to be

written up at least twice a year, about

the beginning of January and begin-

ning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of

the Bank if marked On Hongkong

Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free

by the various British Post Offices in

Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand,

but the personal attendance of the

depositor or his duly appointed agent,

and the production of his Pass-Book

are necessary.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION,

JOHN WALTER,

Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, June 7, 1886. 704

Intimations.

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A. B. C.

c/o. China Mail Office.

Hongkong, September 6, 1886. 1723

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMasters and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central; will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Underwriters is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,

Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1886. 1458

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MR. WONG-TAI-FONG,

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CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to missionaries and families.

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(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 66

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY General MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Padilla's Street, Victoria, on the 20th day of September, 1886, at NOON, when the abridged Resolution will be proposed.

Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for Confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting, which will be subsequently convened.

RESOLUTION.

That Article No. 17 in the Articles of Association be altered by eliminating therefrom the figure \$100,000, where they appear twice therein and substituting for such figure, the figures \$150,000.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Dated 27th August, 1885. 1644

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EX AMERICAN MAIL STEAMER  
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Golden SYRUP in Gallon Tins.  
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ASPARAGUS.  
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Sausage MEAT.  
CAVIA.  
Potted MEATS.  
MAKEREL in 5s Tins.  
Eagle Brand MILK.  
Lamb's TONGUES.  
Green CORN.  
Baked BEANS.  
BRAWN.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT  
of  
COOKING AND PARLOUR  
STOVES.

AGATE IRON WARE COOKING  
UTENSILS.  
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KEROSENE LAMPS.  
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WINES, &c.  
SPARKLING SAUMUR, Pts. & Qts. @  
\$11 and \$12.  
CUP CHAMPAGNE, Pts. & Qts. @ \$12  
and \$14.  
SAUCONY'S SHERRY.  
SAUCONY'S INVALID PORT.  
ROYAL GLENLEDE WHISKY.  
JAHNSON'S WHISKY.  
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THE USUAL ASSORTMENT  
of

OILMAN'S STORES,  
at the  
Lowest Possible Prices  
FOR CASH.

MacEwen, Frickel & Co.  
Hongkong, July 1, 1886. 1288

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NOTICE.  
QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept  
Risks on First Class Godowns at 3  
per cent. premium per annum.

NOERTON & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, May 19, 1881. 838

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
Agents for the above Company are  
prepared to Grant Policies on MARINE  
RISKS to all parts of the World, at current  
rates.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, November 5, 1883. 855

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Owners will be Responsible for  
any Debt contracted by the Officers or  
Crew of the following Vessels, during  
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

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John A. Plum.—Chinese.

GALATIA, British ship, Captain William  
Coville.—Borneo Co., Ltd.

GEORGE CRUITS, American ship, Capt. T.  
Sprout.—Master.

GRANDE, American ship, Captain T. H.  
Evans.—Meichers & Co.

HARVESTED, American ship, Captain Wm.  
Taylor.—Order.

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Siemssen & Co.

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To-day's Advertisements.

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FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE  
(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS-  
LAND PORTS, and taking through  
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The British Steamship  
Northern, Capt. Richardson, hav-  
ing arrived from JAPAN,  
will be despatched as above on SUNDAY,  
NEXT, the 13th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Managers.

Hongkong, September 7, 1886. 1724

## To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,  
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

TO-MORROW EVENING,  
WEDNESDAY, 8th September.

0 WING to the delay of the Steamship  
Zafiro and the numerous requests  
made to Mr. Ramey, he has decided to  
give one more Concert in Hongkong which  
will be despatched as above on SUNDAY,  
NEXT, the 13th Instant, at Daylight.

GRAND BENEFIT CONCERT,  
TENDERED TO  
EDOUARD REMENYI

He and his Company leaving for Manila, on  
THURSDAY NEXT POSITIVELY.

To-MORROW (REMINYI)  
TO-MORROW NIGHT.  
REMINYI (REMINYI)

See To-morrow's issue for further  
Particulars and Programme.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:  
Dress Circle TWO DOLLARS.  
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Pit ONE DOLLAR.

Plan now open at Messrs. Kelly &  
Walsh's (Limited).

Manager FRANK WESTON.  
Agent Courier J. J. FOSTER.

Hongkong, September 7, 1886. 1729

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.  
The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s  
Steamship  
Amerca.

will have for the above  
places TO-MORROW, 8th instant, at 10 a.m.

E. L. WOODIN,  
Acting Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,  
Hongkong, September 7, 1886. 1727

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).  
The British Steamship  
Pathan.

Captain ROWLEY, will be  
despatched at 4 p.m.  
TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, for KONG  
(direct); and thence on or about 15th Inst.  
to SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, calling at  
NAGASAKI, FOOCHOW, and this Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Managers.

Hongkong, September 7, 1886. 1725

THE CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL  
STEAM NAVIGATION COM-  
PANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL  
(Taking Cargos at through rates to  
NEW YORK.)

The Co.'s Steamship  
Kaiwo.

W. S. THOMSON, Com-  
mander, will be despatched  
as above on or about the 20th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, September 7, 1886. 1728

## To-day's Advertisements.

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THE HOTEL is now prepared to SUPPLY  
T. PIONIC PARTIES, &c., with all  
REQUISITES on Moderate Terms.

A. FONSECA,  
Assistant Manager.

Hongkong, September 7, 1886. 1726

## SHIPPING

## ARRIVALS

September 7 1886

City of Peking, American steamer, 5,079,  
H. C. Deardorff, San Francisco August 11,  
and Yokohama September 1, Mails and  
General.—P. M. S. Co.

Monkland, British steamer, 87, P. H.

Row, Bangkok September 1, General—  
Yuan Pax How.

Hai Long, British steamer, 277, J. S.

Roch, Timai September 2, Amoy 5, and  
Swatow 6, General—Dowdall Steamship  
Co.

Amoy, British steamer, from Whampoa.

## DEPARTURES

September 7

Aston, for Hollow and Pathon.

Southwold, for Yokohama.

Atholl, for Singapore.

Tanis, for Yokohama.

Yang-ti, for Shanghai.

Achilles, for Shanghai.

Hampshire, for Yokohama.

Yung Ching, for Shanghai.

CLEARED

Carisbrook, for Swatow.

Frederick, for Calcutta.

Iduna, for Haiphong.

ARRIVED

Per Tanis, from San Francisco, Mr

J. S. Van Buren, 1, European and 271

Chinese, from Yokohama, Captain G.

Porter.

Per Mongku, from Bangkok, 60 Chinese.

Per Haifong, from Canton Ports, Mr

Lescher, and (2) Misses Pockels, and 66

Chinese.

DEPARTED

Per Tanis, for Yokohama: from Hong

Kong, Mr and Mrs Th. Ed. Chandler, ser-

vant and amah, Messrs Young and E.

Young; from Marseilles, H. E. Dimitri

Schevitch (Russia Minister), and servant,

Messrs Ohiana and Medvedieff.

Per Yung-ti, for Shanghai: from Hong

Kong, 12 Chinese; from Marseilles, Mr Chou

Ho Chiu and servant, and Mr Thang.

Per Achilles, for Shanghai: from Liver-

pool, Mrs. Miss and Master Colgan.

Per Yung Ching, for Shanghai, 1 Euro-

pean, and 7 Chinese.

Per Amoy, for Amoy, 400 Chinese.

Per Atholl, for Singapore, 561 Chinese.

To DEPART

Per Carisbrook, for Swatow, 155 Chinese.

Per Iduna, for Haiphong, 12 Chinese.

PASSENGERS

ARRIVED

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ROUTES OF CLOSING

THE ENGLISH MAIL

in the Austria Lloyd Company. He said at the corner of Old Bailey, "Sister his daughter got out of a chair and he got in. The coolie said he was too heavy and he got out and walked up the hill." The hind coolie indicated the front coolie to run after him. The latter took hold of him and he gave the coolie a light tap with a stick. Constable Philip came up and put one hand on his collar and one on his shoulder in a cowardly way. The little girl commenced to cry and he told Philip to let him go, but instead of that he pushed him along. The hind coolie rushed down and asked what was the matter, whereupon Philip gave him a slap, seized him and pushed him forward. This evidence was confirmed in some particulars by Francis P. Peacock who said the constable seized the 3rd defendant like a murderer. The magistrate discharged the prisoners with a caution and advised them to let the matter rest and not seek to prosecute the constable who, he believed, was honestly endeavouring to carry out his duty and had pushed away the defendant because he thought he was interfering with him.

## BRITISH TRADE IN CHINA AND JAPAN.

## THE QUESTION OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR ASSISTANCE.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

London, August 6.

I have to-day received by the courtesy of the Foreign Office an early copy of the correspondence respecting the question of the Diplomatic and Consular Assistance to British Trade abroad. In it China and Japan bulk largely. The question is a most important one, especially in view of recent events, and the despatch will, I doubt not, be read with keen interest by all Englishmen engaged in commerce in the Far East. They are enigmatically in the order in which they appear in the official paper:

(Mr. Plunkett to Earl Granville.)

Tokio, May 26, 1885.

(Extract.)

I cannot help feeling that the days of "foreign settlements" and "enforced tariffs" are rapidly passing away and that the small profits on which trade must now be carried on will make it every day more and more difficult for the English merchant to compete on the spot with the native, whom education and the telegraph are everyday placing more on a par with him. If therefore our home manufacturers hope to force the sale of our goods on these Eastern nations they will have to look to native agents to do it, or they will find themselves beaten out of the field by the Germans and other foreigners who work at lower rates than we do.

The Marquis of Salisbury to Mr. Plunkett.

Foreign Office, Aug. 2, 1885.

(Telegraphic.)

In case where foreign Representatives interfere to the detriment of British Commercial interests you are at liberty to give the latter your support.

The Marquis of Salisbury to Mr. O'Connor.

Foreign Office, Jan. 26, 1884.

(Extract.)

Sir—I have to state to you that representations have been made to Her Majesty's Government on the part of persons interested in the Commercial relations between this country and China to the effect that British interests are at present placed in a disadvantageous position in China in consequence of the diplomatic support given to the efforts of foreign merchants to obtain contracts for the supply of railway and other materials and concessions for the construction of railways and other public works.

I have therefore sent you a telegram this day authorizing you to give your support to British commercial interests in case where the interference of the Representatives of Foreign Powers is exercised to their detriment.

I am, &amp;c.,

(Signed) SALISBURY.

The Earl of Rosebery to Mr. O'Connor.

Foreign Office, Feb. 24, 1886.

Sir.—With reference to the despatch from my predecessor of the 26th ult., I have to request that you will be careful not to give any great vigilance, and that you will not fail to bring to the notice of H. M. Government, by telegraph, any cases of Contracts, or other Concessions that may be granted by the Chinese Government to the subjects of any Government or any Foreign Power.

I am, &amp;c.,

(Signed) ROSEBERY.

The Earl of Rosebery to Mr. O'Connor.

Foreign Office, Feb. 25, 1886.

Sir.—With reference to my predecessor's despatch of the 26th ult., in regard to British Commercial interests in China, I desire to bring to your notice the following copy of a letter from the London Chamber of Commerce upon the subject, with copies of two letters which have been addressed to the Chamber in reply.

I am, &amp;c.,

(Signed) ROSEBERY.

Subjoined are copies of the three letters referred to in the above despatch.

I.

Mr. K. Murray to the Marquis of Salisbury.

London Chamber of Commerce,

84 King William St.

London, Feb. 5, 1886.

My Lord.—The Executive Committee of the London Chamber of Commerce, on behalf of its East India and China Trade Section, has the honour to address your lordship regarding the position of British subjects engaged in the trade and commerce in foreign countries, compared with that occupied by Germans, the French, and Americans and other nationalities who enjoy the privilege and vantage of being supported in their trade negotiations by the Ministers of their several countries.

It has long been the rule of H. M. Foreign Office to decline to sanction any support being given by British Ministers at Foreign Courts, or by British Consuls, to the merchants and traders of Great Britain in respect of matters of trade between them and the Government or subjects of those countries in which they are resident.

The Executive Committee beg however to draw your lordship's attention to a change which has taken place during recent years in the foreign trade of other countries, partly owing to the opening of the Suez Canal. In the main, the countries in the Eastern Hemisphere have been unable to compete with those markets which are situated in those under the rule of the mandarins, and frequently by their acts of personal injustice of their ministers.

At the same time the Chinese Government is engaged in providing armaments on a large scale, and is known to contemplate large expenditures for railways and other industrial undertakings. It is of the utmost importance, in the interest of British trade, as well as of the subjects who have a right to be protected, that the Chinese should have the firm support of the

British Government and assistance of Her Majesty's Representatives at Peking. If this is withheld from them, there is great risk of one of our most valuable traders, at a time of special activity, passing into the hands of Germans and Americans; and the Executive Committee respectfully request that Your Lordship will, without delay, issue instructions in this sense to Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Peking.

The same interests adverse to British trade are in operation in Indo-China, and other Eastern Countries, and the Executive Committee and others officially in East India and China. The Trade Section feel it to be their duty, in the interests of British merchants and manufacturers, to push the private interests of their own merchants, or whether it is not wiser that England should continue in the line hitherto followed of fostering the general interests of British Commerce in these countries, but should avoid entangling herself in the pushing of individual enterprises.

A recent article maintains the opinion, with which I quite agree, that any injurious partiality shown at present towards traders of any foreign nation is destined to work its own curse before long. I venture to believe that our wisest course is to watch what foreign agents may be doing, but to be very wary in departing ourselves from the prudent line of conduct Her Majesty's Agents have hitherto been accustomed to consider it their duty to follow in regard to individual Commercial speculations.

I am, &amp;c.,

(Signed) KENNO B. MURRAY,

Secretary.

II.

Sir P. Currie to Mr. K. Murray.

Foreign Office, Feb. 22, 1886.

Sir—I am directed by the Earl of Rosebery to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 6th inst., and to state to you for the information of the Executive Committee of the London Chamber of Commerce, that as regards China and Japan, no representations were officially issued.

I have to say to you that I concur generally in the views which you express upon this subject; you should however bear in mind the instruction conveyed in my predecessor's despatch of the 26th January last.

I am, &amp;c.,

(Signed) P. CURRIE.

III.

Sir P. Currie to Mr. K. Murray.

Foreign Office, Feb. 22, 1886.

Sir.—With reference to the paragraph in your letter of the 6th inst., in which it is stated that "it has long been the rule of Her Majesty's Foreign Office to decline to give any support to foreign agents given by British Ministers at Foreign Courts, or by British Consuls, to the merchants and traders of Great Britain in respect of matters of trade between them and the Government or subjects of this country in which they are resident," I am directed by the Earl of Rosebery to point out to you that the London Chamber of Commerce does not seem to be fully aware of the facts of the case.

It is expressly laid down in the General Instructions for Her Majesty's Consular Officers that "it is the duty of the Consular Officers to protect and to promote the lawful trade abroad apart from China, to which the reply is now given, addressed to you, will form the subject of another letter.

I am, &amp;c.,

(Signed) P. CURRIE.

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(Signed) P. CURRIE.

V.

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Tokio, April 8, 1886.

My Lord.—Your Lordship will understand that the local foreign papers have for some time past been occupied with the question whether England should initiate the example of some foreign nations, and make use of her diplomatic and naval power to push the private interests of her own merchants, or whether it is not wiser that England should continue in the line hitherto followed of fostering the general interests of British Commerce in these countries, but should avoid entangling herself in the pushing of individual enterprises.

A recent article maintains the opinion, with which I quite agree, that any injurious partiality shown at present towards traders of any foreign nation is destined to work its own curse before long. I venture to believe that our wisest course is to watch what foreign agents may be doing, but to be very wary in departing ourselves from the prudent line of conduct Her Majesty's Agents have hitherto been accustomed to consider it their duty to follow in regard to individual Commercial speculations.

I am, &amp;c.,

(Signed) F. R. PLUNKETT.

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Foreign Office, May 17, 1886.

Sir—I am directed by the Earl of Rosebery to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 6th ult., in which you ask for the information of the Executive Committee of the London Chamber of Commerce, that as regards China and Japan, no representations were officially issued.

I have to say to you that I concur generally in the views which you express upon this subject; you should however bear in mind the instruction conveyed in my predecessor's despatch of the 26th January last.

I am, &amp;c.,

(Signed) F. R. PLUNKETT.

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This number contains several articles  
of interest and value.—North China Herald.

The China Review for September—October  
only maintains the high standard of  
excellence which characterizes that pub-  
lication, and altogether forms a very  
interesting and readable number. Meteorologists will find an interesting and  
valuable contribution by Dr. Fritsche,  
on “The Amount of Precipitation (Rain  
and Snow) of Peking,” showing the results  
of observations made at the Imperial Rus-  
sian Observatory at Peking, from 1841 to  
1880. “Notes on the Dutch Occupation of  
Formosa,” by Mr. Geo. Phillips, contains  
some interesting information, although  
much of it is second-hand. The Notices of  
New Books include a most generous and  
appreciative review of “The Divine Classic  
of Nau-Hua,” and the Notes and Queries  
are also very interesting.—North China  
Daily News.

“A substantial and reliable Review which  
all students of China and the Chinese would  
do well to patronize.”—China Standard.

The China Review—December number of  
the China Review contains less variety than  
usual, but the few articles are very interest-  
ing. The opening paper by Mr. Herbert  
A. Giles on “The New Testament in Chi-  
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sarily be of great importance in the eyes  
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Mr. E. H. Parker's “Short Journeys in  
Szechuan” are continued, and a goodly instalment  
of these travels in the interior of China is  
given. Mr. F. H. Baltzer contributes a  
paper of some length entitled “The Em-  
peror Cheng, founder of the Chinese Em-  
pire,” which will be read with genuine  
interest by students of Chinese history.

A few short notices of New Books and a  
number of Notes and Queries, one of which  
“On Chinese Oaths in Western Borneo  
and Java” might appropriately have been  
placed under a separate heading, complete  
the number.—H. K. Daily Press.

Tubner's Oriental Record contains the  
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